publicity, quality control, packaging development etc.

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Import of Textile Machinery

4837. SHRI DHARMANNA MONDAYYA SADUL:
SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government propose to allow import of second hand textile machinery;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Textile Engineering Industry has opposed the proposal; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) and (b). Import of second hand textile machinery is already permitted in terms of Para 193 (1) of handbook of procedure AM 1990-93, subject to the fulfilment of the requirements/laid down. Application for import of second hand capital goods for textile units for a value upto Rs. 1.5 crore is to be made to the Office of CCI&E; New Delhi through the Office of Textile Commissioner, Bombay. Application for higher value is required to be made to Secretariat for industrial approvals, Ministry of Industry, New Delhi, direct. Such import of second hand machinery is permitted subject to the condition that advertisement procedure as per Para 164 of handbook of procedure is followed in addition to the other conditions stated in Para 193 thereof.

(c) and (d). Do not arise in view of (a) and (b) above.

Export by Seafood Industry

4838. DR. A.K. PATEL:
SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the newsitem captioned "Sea Food Industry in trouble" appearing in the Indian Express dated November 10, 1991;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government to encourage exports by the seafood industry?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI SALMAN KHURSHEED): (a) Government is aware of the newsitem

(b) The main points made in the newsitem are:

(i) No representation of Sea Food Exporter Association of India (SEAI) on the Board of the Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA) and EIA.

(ii) Ban on export of frog legs

(iii) Need to bring about improvement in the peeling sheds.

(iv) Fast development of Sea food industry had given